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My Lords and Gentlemen,

Am so very sensible of the great and extraordinary care you have already taken, and still continue to shew for the Safety and Preservation of my Person in these Times of Danger, that I could not satisfie my self without coming hither on purpose to give you All My most hearty thanks for it.

Nor do I think it enough to give you My

thanks onely, but I hold My Self obliged to let you see withall, that I do as much study your Preservation too, as I can possibly; and that I am as ready to joyn with you in all the ways and means that may Establish a firm Security of the Protestant Religion, as your own hearts can wish.

And this not onely during My time (of which I am sure you have no fear) but in all future Ages, even to the end of the world.

And therefore I am come to assure you, That whatsoever reasonable Bills you shall present to be Passed into Laws, to make you Safe in the Reign of any Successor (so as they tend not to Impeach the Right of Succession, nor the Descent of the Crown in the true Line, and so as they restrain not My Power, nor the Just Rights of any Protestant Successor) shall find from Me a ready Concurrence.

And I desire you withall to think of some more effectual means for the Conviction of Popish Recusants, and to expedite your Counsels as fast as you can, [illegible] may see Our Unanimity, a[illegible] have the opportunity of shew[illegible] ready I am to do any thing [illegible] Comfort and Satisfaction to [illegible] and Loyal Subjects.

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